(amended) PATENT CLAIMS

- 1. A fired ceramic moulded body, made of a composition which comprises at least one purely magnesitic component and at least one component containing CaO, all in a grain size < 8 mm which has the following oxidic analysis:
 - a) 50 to 90 % by weight MgO,
 - b) 8 to 40 % by weight CaO,
 - c) 1 to 8 % by weight Fe_2O_3 ,
 - d) up to 10 % by weight others, the sum total of a) to d) being 100 % by weight, providing, after firing, a test value $T_{0.5}$ according to DIN EN 993-8 (1997) of between 1,400 and 1,700 °C.
- 2. Moulded body according to claim 1 with a raw density of $> 3 \text{ g/cm}^3$.
- 3. Moulded body according to claim 1 with an open porosity of < 14 % by volume.
- 4. Moulded body according to claim 1 in which the purely magnesitic component has a degree of purity of > 90 % by weight MgO.
- 5. Process for the production of a fired ceramic, Fe_2O_3 comprising moulded body, with a test value $T_{0,5}$ according to DIN EN 993-8 (1997) of between 1400 °C and 1700 °C, according to which a composition is used, comprising at least one purely magnesitic and at least one component containing CaO, all in a grain size of < 8 mm and which has the following oxidic analysis:
 - a) 50 to 90 % by weight of MgO,
 - b) 8 to 40 % by weight of CaO,
 - c) 1 to 8 % by weight of Fe_2O_3 ,

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the total sum of a) to d) being 100 %, and forming dicalciumferrite as a secondary phase after firing at a temperature > 1400 °C.

- 6. Process according to claim 5 in which at least one CaO-containing component of the composition has a grain size of > 2 mm.
- 7. Process according to claim 5 in which at least one CaO-containing component of the composition has a grain size of < 5 mm.
- 8. Process according to claim 5 in which the MgO-containing component of the composition with a degree of purity of > 90 % by weight has a grain size of < 5 mm.
- 9. Process according to claim 5 in which the MgO-containing component of the composition with a degree of purity of > 90 % by weight has a grain size of < 2 mm.
- 10. Process according to claim 5 in which the MgOcontaining component of the composition with a degree of purity of > 90 % by weight has a grain size of < 0.3 mm.</p>
- 11. Process according to claim 5 in which the mean grain size (d_{50}) of the CaO-containing component of the composition is greater than the mean grain size (d_{50}) of the MgO-containing component of the composition with a degree of purity > 90 % by weight.

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12. Process according to claim 5 in which the grain size (d_{95}) of the CaO-containing component of the composition is greater than the grain size (d_{95}) of the MgO-containing component of the composition with a degree of purity of > 90 % by weight.

- 13. Process according to claim 5 in which at least one CaO-containing component of the composition has a grain size of < 1 mm.
- 14. Process according to claim 5 in which at least one CaO-containing component of the composition has a grain size of < 0.3 mm.
- 15. Process according to claim 5 with a Fe_2O_3 content of the composition of > 1.5 % by weight.
- 16. Process according to claim 5 with a Fe_2O_3 content of the composition of > 2 % by weight.
- 17. Process according to claim 5 with a proportion of an MgO-CaO fused grain component in the composition.
- 18. Process according to claim 5 in which the oxidic analysis of the composition exhibits at least one of the following oxides: MnO, TiO₂, ZrO₂, SiO₂.
- 19. Process according to claim 5, in which the purely magnesitic component has a degree of purity of > 90 % by weight.
- 20. Use of a moulded body according to claim 1 for lining of a rotary kiln.